

**CALIFORNIA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2016**

MEETING SUMMARY

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Chair Rossi welcomed the members and reviewed the agenda items.

Members Present:

Mike Rossi, Chair	John Brauer
Tim Rainey	Patrick Henning, Jr.
Andre Schoorl	Bob Redlo
Steve Levy	Richard Rubin
Van Tan Quinlavin	Bill Camp
Pamela Kan	Jeremy Smith

Members Absent:

Cindy Chavez
Mike Gallo

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Action Items

a. Approve the November 4, 2015 Meeting Summary

A motion to approve the item was offered by Bill Camp and seconded by Chair Rossi. All voted in favor without further discussion.

b. Approve California Unified Strategic Workforce Development Plan

Tim Rainey provided a brief summary of the action to be taken by the Committee. Bill Camp provided a motion to approve the Plan as presented with a second from Jeremy Smith. Carol Zabin opened the discussion stating that there are some substantive changes that would like to have considered. Stephen Levy expressed concern regarding

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the level of employer/business input; how the discussion regarding valued credentials should be driven by the employers and how the federal law prioritizes services for the hardest to serve populations. He would like to see more discussion in the Plan as to how these two dynamics are addressed.

John Brauer reminded the members that the primary readers of the Plan will be the local directors, local boards and the chief local elected official but agreed on the need for greater discussion on employer engagement and volunteered to assist in this effort. He would also like additional language to address job quality that would include things such as benefits, health care, etc. so that when a local board is making decisions about job placement and where to invest public funds, the decision is made towards a quality job. This followed a discussion on the need to define job quality due to the diversity of our economy and the variety of employment opportunities in a given area/region. He also talked about the role of Community Based Organizations and how their involvement could be further developed in the Plan.

Carol Zabin added that the Plan does a good job of explaining the Governor's priorities, but would like to see Labor/Management partnerships included because of the types of outcomes and quality jobs they produce. She also asked how the Plan provides direction to local boards to prioritize opportunities and develop pipelines into the better quality jobs within a region. John Brauer mentioned the Prop 39 grants that the State Board awarded and the criteria they used to do so is one example of how we can help local areas prioritize expenditures.

Steve Levy would like to see more policy work by the State Board to help those workers in lower paying jobs, such as hospitality and tourism. Potential areas are organizing, advocating for increased minimum wage and increasing pay for early education providers are a couple of examples. Bob Redlo said that the Plan was a good blueprint for developing partnerships and career pathways, which involves upskilling workforce to move up, and asked how we might expand the use of supportive services to help workers move up to better quality jobs.

Mike Rossi reminded the members that there is a motion to approve the Plan as it is, with the understanding that the Plan can and will be amended to reflect these types of changes before it is submitted to USDOL. All voted in favor of the recommendation.

c. Approve Eligible Training Providers' Performance Measure

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Tim briefed the committee on the item. A full description is included in the agenda packet. John Brauer asked how the performance goals are determined and negotiated each year and would like to see a historical graphing of how the performance standard and outcomes is shifting/changing in California. Are we achieving better outcomes with the limited dollars we have? He also expressed concerns related to the outcomes of pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs and how they are impacting our overall performance goals. There was a commitment to provide annual performance goals and measures to the members at the next meeting. Bill Camp provided a motion to approve the item, John Brauer seconded. The item was approved unanimously.

4. Updates and Discussion:

City of San Bernardino Initial Designation

Tim provided a briefing of this item. A full description is included in the agenda. Patrick Henning expressed concern, and this has been communicated to the local area, regarding the delivery of services to the citizens of San Bernardino City. The County does have a OneStop center operating with the City's boundaries so services are available and a minimum level of services is being provided at the City's single OneStop center. The EDD and State Board are looking at data to determine who (County versus City residents) is being served in these centers. This information will be provided at the next meeting.

Agenda for January 19th Board Meeting

Tim reviewed items that will be included in the upcoming State Board meeting agenda. Bill Camp asked the State Board to discuss how services might be delivered to the Muslim immigrants that are coming into our State to give them access to education and training to help them integrate into our society/communities.

5. Other Business

Bill Camp announced the he will be marching in the May 1, 2016 Workers Day parade in Havana, Cuba, and invited others to join him.